

State of Utah

Department of Natural Resources

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Permitee: PLATEAU MINING CORP

Representatives Present During the Inspection:

Dennis Ware Controller

Pete Hess Environmental Scientist III

Operator: PLATEAU MINING CORP Site: WILLOW CREEK MINE

Address: PO BOX 30, HELPER UT 84526-0030

County: CARBON

Permit Type: PERMANENT COAL PROGRAM

Permit Status: ACTIVE

Current Acreages

14,662.49	Total Permitted
71.44	Total Disturbed
	Phase I
	Phase II
	Phase III

Inspection Report

Permit Number:	C0070038			
Inspection Type:	PARTIAL			
Inspection Date:	Thursday, April 19, 2007			
Start Date/Time:	4/19/2007 8:50:00 AM			
End Date/Time:	4/19/2007 10:30:00 AM			
Last Inspection:	Monday, March 26, 2007			

Inspector: Pete Hess, Environmental Scientist III

Weather: Clear / cold; over night temperature < 32 F.

InspectionID Report Number: 1274

Accepted by: whedberg

5/3/2007

Mineral Ownership **Types of Operations**

✓ Underground ✓ Federal State ☐ Surface County ✓ Loadout

Processing ✓ Other Reprocessing

Report summary and status for pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments:

The Permittee notified the Division on February 12, 2007 that all required surface and ground water monitoring information for the Willow Creek, Castle Gate, and Star Point Mines had been inserted into the DOGM electronic data base pipeline, and same was acceptable for uploading into the data files. The Division notified the Permittee on April 18, 2007 that the submitted information had been successfully uploaded.

There are no pending compliance actions for the Willow Creek Mine permit area.

Inspector's Signature:

Pete Hess, Environmental Scientist III

Date

Thursday, April 19, 2007

Inspector ID Number: 46

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.

Inspection Continuation Sheet

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REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
 - a. For COMPLETE inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check Not Applicable.
 - b. For PARTIAL inspections check only the elements evaluated.
- 2. Document any noncompliance situation by reference the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- 3. Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performace standard listed below.
- 4. Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Divison Orders, and amendments.

		Evaluated	Not Applicable	Comment	Enforcement
1.	Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale				
2.	Signs and Markers	✓			
3.	Topsoil		✓		
4.a	Hydrologic Balance: Diversions	V			
4.b	Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments	V		✓	
4.c	Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures	V			
4.d	Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring	V		✓	
4.e	Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations	✓		✓	
5.	Explosives		V		
6.	Disposal of Excess Spoil, Fills, Benches		✓		
7.	Coal Mine Waste, Refuse Piles, Impoundments	✓			
8.	Noncoal Waste	✓			
9.	Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Issues				
10.	Slides and Other Damage		V		
11.	Contemporaneous Reclamation				
12.	Backfilling And Grading				
13.	Revegetation	✓			
14.	Subsidence Control		✓		
15.	Cessation of Operations		✓		
16.a	Roads: Construction, Maintenance, Surfacing	✓			
16.b	Roads: Drainage Controls	V			
17.	Other Transportation Facilities				
18.	Support Facilities, Utility Installations				
19.	AVS Check				
20.	Air Quality Permit				
21.	Bonding and Insurance				
22.	Other	✓		✓	

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4.b Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments

Although the Price area has received approximately 0.25 inches of rain over the past several days, the Mine site sediment pond was observed as dry.

4.d Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring

There were no drainages running in Crandall Canyon this day. All snow pack is gone. The Mine permit area received a slight skiff of snow overnight.

4.e Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations

The Permittee has applied for and received a modification to the UPDES permit (effective April 16, 2007) which adds outfall 016 (temporary dewatering of Crandall Canyon #2 shaft discharging to Crandall Creek). The Permittee is limited to the discharge of 1 ton per day from all outfalls within this permit.

22. Other

The College of Eastern Utah has approached the Permittee about purchasing additional land acreage from the WETC gate SW toward the reclaimed topsoil storage area location. The number of acres involved in the proposal has yet to be evaluated. Pond 001, and the old Savage truck shop location (Willow Creek channel relocation area) would be included as part of this purchase.